

Greetings, Members!

Last Saturday's 'northern course' took place under light winds, very similar to last year's race in this locale. Warren Hall laid out an interesting course and starting time saw five boats plying the start line. Solo sailor Ted Johnson was able to convince a Committee Boat member to jump ship to join him as crew as soon as the horn went. This put him dead last across the mark. The Hall/Dibble boat took the lead and, except for a short period, dominated the race to finish a foreshortened course in first place. The next three spots were strongly contended for throughout the race. The wind, and lack thereof, played a big part in this. The Johnson boat managed to come from well behind to finish in second place. Could it be lucky gusts or simply skill at reading the wind? The Hoggs finished seconds later in third and Dean MacMurtry with daughter and new crew, Kristy, finished a close fourth. The Lobb boat was manned by two captains including Bill and John Douglas. Perhaps this accounted for their fifth place finish? Thanks to Sharon Vance for double duty as crash boat officer and impromptu finish line judge. And a big thanks to Royden Ritz for volunteering as Race Committee this summer despite a busy family schedule.

Club photographer, Greg Crawford, and his assistant, Jen McLellan, were once again on the course to capture the action. Please enjoy photos found in the link below.

<https://www.icloud.com/sharedalbum/#B0NGgZLKuJlmJ>

Standings after this last race are as follows:

- 1). Hall - 3
- 2). Hogg - 7.5
- 3). Johnson - 16
- 4). MacMurtry - 20
- 5). Lobb - 27
- 6). Douglas - 32
- 7). Houlden - 32

With two races to go, changes to this order are very possible. Stand by for an exciting finish to the 2020 season! Thanks for this, Rob!

It is with sadness that we would like to extend our sympathy to Rob Ballagh on the recent passing of his mother (Joyce) after a brief illness. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Weather conditions for tomorrow's race are making for a challenging decision. Stand by for tomorrow morning's email regarding start time, which will be based upon the most accurate meteorological information available.

Cheers to all
Sue Tovee
Commodore, 2020